other parties involved in the proceeding.

(h) The Board's final decision shall be served upon all parties and the administrative law judge.

## §655.80 Notice to OFLC and DHS.

- (a) The WHD Administrator shall, as appropriate, notify DHS and OFLC of the final determination of a violation and recommend that DHS not approve petitions filed by an employer. The Administrator's notification will address the type of violation committed by the employer and the appropriate statutory period for disqualification of the employer from approval of petitions.
- (b) The Administrator shall notify DHS and OFLC upon the earliest of the following events:
- (1) Where the Administrator determines that there is a basis for a finding of violation by an employer, and no timely request for hearing is made; or
- (2) Where, after a hearing, the administrative law judge issues a decision and order finding a violation by an employer, and no timely petition for review is filed with the Department's Administrative Review Board (Board); or
- (3) Where a timely petition for review is filed from an administrative law judge's decision finding a violation and the Board either declines within 30 days to entertain the appeal, or reviews and affirms the administrative law judge's determination: or
- (4) Where the administrative law judge finds that there was no violation by an employer, and the Board, upon review, issues a decision holding that a violation was committed by an employer.

## §655.81 Application filing transition.

(a) Compliance with these regulations. Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, employers filing applications for H-2B workers on or after the effective date of these regulations where the date of need for the services or labor to be performed is on or after October 1, 2009, must comply with all of the obligations and assurances in this subpart. SWAs will no longer accept for processing applications filed by employers for H-2B workers for temporary or seasonal non-

agricultural services on or after January 18, 2009.

- (b) Applications filed under former regulations. (1) For applications filed with the SWAs serving the area of intended employment prior to the effective date of these regulations, the SWAs shall continue to process all active applications under the former regulations and transmit all completed applications to the appropriate NPC for review and issuance of a labor certification determination.
- (2) For applications filed with the SWAs serving the area of intended employment prior to the effective date of these regulations that were completed and transmitted to the NPC, the NPC shall continue to process all active applications under the former regulations and issue a labor certification determination.
- (c) Applications filed with the NPC under these regulations. Employers filing applications on or after the effective date of these regulations where their date of need for H-2B workers is prior to October 1, 2009, must receive a prevailing wage determination from the SWA serving the area of intended employment. The SWA shall process such requests in accordance with the provisions of §655.10. Once the employer receives its prevailing wage determination from the SWA, it must conduct all of the pre-filing recruitment steps set forth under this subpart prior to filing an Application for Temporary Employment Certification with the NPC.

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## Subpart B—Labor Certification Process for Temporary Agricultural Employment in the United States (H–2A Workers)

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## \$655.100 Scope and purpose of subpart B.

This subpart sets out the procedures established by the Secretary of the